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#### 1. Weisse Stadt restricted area

On the morning of 25 March 1955, a sizeable number of new troops arrived in the Weisse Stadt restricted area in Oranienburg. Since the available quarters did not suffice for the newly arrived troops, the vacant rooms in buildings Nos 4 and 6 were also occupied. Between 25 and 30 March, several trains arrived. Some of them were unloaded at Oranienburg freight station and the other trains on Eden classification track. The following observations were made on the individual quartering buildings:

- Building No 1: still under repair
- Building No 2: fully occupied by soldiers wearing black-bordered blue epaulets
- Building No 3: fully occupied by officers wearing black-bordered blue epaulets
- Building No 5: rooms on 4 staircases occupied by officers wearing black-bordered blue epaulets with dependents; officers ranking from major upward.
- Building No 8: with officers mess; other rooms fully occupied by EM wearing black-bordered blue epaulets
- Building No 13: occupied by officers wearing black-bordered blue epaulets and dependents
- Building No 29: first and second floors fully occupied by soldiers wearing black-bordered blue epaulets

Officer dependents had to move into the building Nos 24, 25, 26, 28, 30, 31, 32, 33, 36, and 37 although painting work was not yet completed.

On 29 March, Brigadier General Kandakin (fnu) <sup>1</sup> with a large number of air force officers arrived in the restricted area and inspected the quartering buildings. The previously fixed date for the completion of the generals' apartments at the corner of Friedrich Strasse and Hadenheide was advanced to 4 April. Although there were many difficulties in accomodating the newly arrived air force soldiers, Unit Zuyev was still quartered in building No 11 and the engineer unit in building No 7. The full number of trucks and pontoons of the latter unit was still observed in the restricted area. <sup>1</sup>

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## 2. Oranienburg Airfield

The western annex of the hangar at Oranienburg airfield was occupied on 2 April. Sixty tank trucks, some of them with trailers, were parked in the hangar. <sup>2</sup>

## 3. Weisse Stadt

Between 26 and 30 March, new air force units continuously arrived in the Weisse Stadt restricted area. All buildings were occupied except for building No 1 which was still under renovation. No detailed observation could be made in regard to the occupation of the individual buildings because of the general confusion in the settlement. Only black-bordered blue epaulets were observed on the newly arrived troops. On 4 April, building No 2 was occupied by about 200 soldiers wearing black-bordered blue epaulets.

## 4. Vehicular traffic

A sizeable number of motor vehicles arrived along with the new troops.

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[redacted] At 1500 on 30 March, 10 van-like trucks and about 30 soldiers wearing black-bordered blue epaulets were seen in front of the entrance to Kremmener Strasse, presumably on Oranienburg freight station or the classification track in Eden. The same trucks returned from the airfield to Weisse Stadt at about 1630 on 5 April. After 1 April, about 10 trucks [redacted] were parked south of building No 42. Four large 3-axle trucks with semitrailers and 6 standard tank trucks, [redacted] were parked at the same site. Between 26 March and 5 April, [redacted] motor vehicles with drivers wearing black-bordered blue epaulets were seen in the restricted area:

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During the afternoon on 5 April, about 50 motor vehicles, mostly tank trucks and individual sedans, [redacted] were parked along the classification track.

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## 5. Occupation of airfield

After 1 April, Oranienburg airfield was occupied by many twin-jet aircraft, probably Il-28s. During the afternoon of 5 April, 21 aircraft, presumably U-Il-28s, were observed in the northern section of the field. Additional aircraft were parked at a distance. <sup>3</sup>



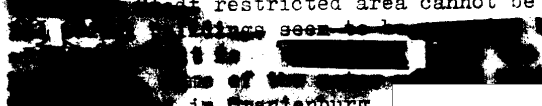



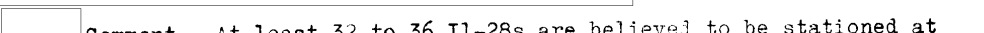
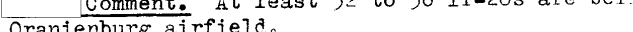

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1.  Comment. This is the first mention of a general officer by name in connection with the occupation of Oranienburg. No information has ever been received on a General Kandakin. 25X1
2.  Comment. The exact occupation of the individual quartering buildings at this restricted area cannot be determined for the time being.  army units. The new occupation  arrival of an air unit after 31  of the year  reported have previously  in Oranienburg.  25X1
3.  Comment. At least 32 to 36 Il-28s are believed to be stationed at Oranienburg airfield. 25X1

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